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In re application of:

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Examiner:

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INJECTION MOLDED MAGNESIUM CONVERTIBLE TOP

STACK HAVING A COMMON PIVOT FOR A PIVOT LINK,

CENTER RAIL AND REAR RAIL

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of September 25, 2008. Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute Group I comprising Claims 1-7 drawn to a method of manufacturing a top stack linkage.

The above election is made with traverse to the extent that Groups II and III are separately restricted from Group I. Groups II and III should be examined together because they relate to the same product with the principal difference between the two being the inclusion in Group III of the technical feature of a cover that is secured to the top stack linkage. No additional search is believed to be required because of the inclusion of the cover in combination with the top stack linkage. It is submitted that no additional burden will be imposed upon the Examiner if Groups II and III are examined together.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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